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MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Kathleen N. Straus, President

SUBJECT: Election of State Board of Education Vice President

Due to the resignation of Mrs. Sharon Gire effective June 4, 2003, it is necessary for the State Board of Education to elect a vice president. The By-Laws of the State Board of Education state:

“If for any reason any officer or the State Board’s NASBE Delegate retires, resigns, or vacates the position, an election will be held to fill the vacated position at the meeting following the State Board’s meeting declaring the office vacated.”

The Board declared the office of Vice President vacated at its June 26, 2003, meeting.

The procedures used for nominating and electing officers of the State Board of Education are as follows:

1. The Chairman declares that nominations are in order for the office Vice President.

Each Board member wishing to do so may make one nomination. A second is not required but may be made if so desired.
3. The Chairman asks for any further nominations. If there are none, the Chair may declare that the nominations are closed, or there may be a motion to close nominations. A motion to close nominations is not required if there are no further nominations.
4. The Chair will inquire of the nominees, in the reverse order of being nominated, whether the nominees accept the nominations.

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5. A roll-call vote is taken. Each Board member will give the name of the nominee for whom he or she is voting. A member may abstain or pass. A member who passed is asked if he or she wishes to vote before the results are announced. Vote changes may be made at the same time. Once the results are announced, no changes may be made.
6. The Chairman declares the name of the individual elected to the particular office if the nominee receives a majority vote of the members of the Board.
7. If there is no majority vote cast, the roll-call is taken again and as many times as may be required until a majority vote is cast.